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May 13th, 1919

Dr. H. D. Dakin,

819 Madison Avenue,

New York City.

My dear Sir:

I regret to say that mainly owing to family reasons, though partly on account of his own health and the attraction that Australia has upon him, Dr. Bradford Robertson has resigned the Professorship of Biochemistry in the University of Toronto after occupying it for only one year. In his letter of resignation he informs me that there is absolutely nothing in his treatment in the University that has occasioned his resignation, and that he looked forward with confidence to being able to develop his work here. We regret his action very much as he had proved himself to be a stimulating teacher both to his students and as an influence on the university staff.

I think that after Dr. Macallum retired from the Chair you were indirectly approached in case there should be any possibility of your regarding the matter favourably if an offer of the chair were presented to you, but we were informed at that time that there would be no chance of your accepting it. Before we take steps to fill the vacancy I should like to assure myself again as to whether or not there would be any likelihood of your regarding with favour an offer from us ?

I am, Yours sincerely,

President.

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819 MADISON AVENUE
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DR. H. D. DAKIN

May 16th, 1919.

President Robt. A. Falconer,
University of Toronto,
Toronto, Canada.

Dear Sir:

I am very much pleased with your letter of May 13th, in which you intimate that my name was under consideration for the vacant chair of Biochemistry in your University.

Unfortunately, there is no possibility of my being able to accept such a proposal, if made; but I wish to assure you of my deep appreciation of your suggestion. I hope that you will succeed in filling so important a chair with the kind of man that such a post deserves.

Yours sincerely,

H. D. Dakin